

House Amendment 1392

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1 1 Amend House File 779 as follows:
1 2 #1. Page 1, by striking lines 4 through 14 and
1 3 inserting the following:
1 4 <1. Except as provided in section 299.2, a child
1 5 who has reached the age of six and is under sixteen
1 6 years of age, by September 15, through seventeen years
1 7 of age by September 15 is of compulsory attendance
1 8 age. However, if a child enrolled in a school
1 9 district or accredited nonpublic school reaches the
1 10 age of sixteen on or after September 15, the child
1 11 remains of compulsory age until the end of the regular
1 12 school calendar a child who is receiving competent
1 13 private instruction in accordance with the provisions
1 14 of chapter 299A and who has reached the age of six and
1 15 is under sixteen years of age by September 15 is of
1 16 compulsory attendance age.>

1 17 #2. Page 1, by inserting before line 15 the
1 18 following:
1 19 <2. a. An individual who reaches the age of
1 20 eighteen during the school year is not subject to
1 21 compulsory school attendance beyond the date upon
1 22 which the individual attains the age of eighteen. The
1 23 individual shall, however, file with the board of
1 24 directors of the school district or the accredited
1 25 nonpublic school of enrollment, a formal declaration
1 26 of intent to terminate school enrollment, participate
1 27 in an exit interview pursuant to paragraph "b", and
1 28 complete a survey in accordance with paragraph "c".

1 29 The declaration, which shall be on a form approved by
1 30 the department of education, must acknowledge that
1 31 terminating school enrollment is likely to reduce the
1 32 individual's earning potential and shall be signed by
1 33 the individual. The school district or accredited
1 34 nonpublic school shall make every effort to notify the
1 35 individual's parent or guardian of receipt of the
1 36 individual's declaration of intent to terminate school
1 37 enrollment. An individual who has reached the age of
1 38 eighteen and who has not yet graduated from high
1 39 school or attained a high school equivalency diploma
1 40 is subject to compulsory school attendance until the
1 41 formal declaration is filed with the board of
1 42 directors of the school district or the authorities in
1 43 charge of an accredited nonpublic school.

1 44 b. A guidance counselor or other school personnel
1 45 designated by the school district or accredited
1 46 nonpublic school shall conduct an exit interview with
1 47 the individual to do all of the following:

1 48 (1) Determine the reasons for the individual's
1 49 decision to terminate school enrollment.

1 50 (2) Discuss actions that could be taken to assist
2 1 the individual to stay in school.

2 2 (3) Inform the individual of opportunities to
2 3 continue the individual's education in a different
2 4 environment, including but not limited to adult
2 5 education and test preparation designed to qualify the
2 6 individual for a high school equivalency diploma.

2 7 c. In addition to meeting the requirements of
2 8 paragraphs "a" and "b" the individual shall complete a
2 9 survey in a format prescribed by the department of
2 10 education to provide data on the individual's reasons
2 11 for terminating enrollment and actions taken by the
2 12 school to keep the individual enrolled. The school
2 13 district or accredited nonpublic school shall submit
2 14 the data from the completed surveys to the department
2 15 of education annually.>

2 16 #3. By renumbering as necessary.

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